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[Worthington, G.R.]

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VIDEO

AUDIO

CAMERA ON LANGFITT

WELL, ONCE AGAIN FRIDAY HAS ROLLED AROUND AND WE AGAIN HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO PAY TRIBUTE TO A FARM FAMILY MAKING AN OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION TO FARMING IN THEIR COMMUNITY AND TO AGRICULTURE IN MISSISSIPPI. TODAY'S FAMILY WAS SELECTED FOR US BY RANKIN COUNTY AGENT, R.S. BARKER. IT IS A FARM FAMILY THAT PROBABLY HAS ONE OF THE FINEST, IF NOT THE FINEST, DAIRY OPERATION IN THE WHOLE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI... AND TODAY WE'RE GOING TO TELL YOU ABOUT AND SHOW YOU SOME PHASES OF THAT DAIRY PROGRAM. TIME WON'T PERMIT US TO TELL EVERYTHING ABOUT THIS FAMILY SO I HAVE DECIDED TO TALK MOSTLY ABOUT THEIR DAIRY PROGRAM. THIS IS THE STORY OF MRX. AND MRS. G.R. WORTHINGTON AND THEIR FOUR CHILDREN, FLORENCE, GORDON JUNIOR, AGATHA AND GLEN. IT IS THE STORY OF ALL THE FAMILY EVEN THOUGH THE WHOLE FAMILY DOES NOT NOW LIVE ON THE FARM JUST WEST OF BRANDON ON OLD HIGHWAY 80...FOR THIS FARM OPERATION BELONGS TO EVERY ONE OF THEM. A FEW YEARS AGO THEY FORMED A CORPORATION OF THE WHOLE FAMILY. GLEN IS THE PRESIDENT, GORDON AND SISTER FLORENCE ARE VICE PRESIDENTS AND MRS. WORTHINGTON IS THE

SLIDE FARM-1  
HOUSE

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AUDIO

SLIDE FARM-2  
DAIRY BARN

SECRETARY AND KEEPS ALL THE RECORDS OF THE FARM OPERATION. THE STORY OF THE WORTHINGTON'S IS A STORY OF A FARM BOUGHT IN 1913 BY MR. WORTHINGTON WHEN HE CAME DOWN HERE FROM TENNESSEE. SHORTLY THEREAFTER MRS. WORTHINGTON CAME DOWN FROM WEST VIRGINIA TO VISIT SOME KINFOLKS, THEY MET, MR. WORTHINGTON COURTED HER AND THEY WERE MARRIED AND SETTLED IN THE LOVELY HOME WE JUST SAW. ALL THE CHILDREN WERE RAISED IN THIS HOME. WHEN MR. WORTHINGTON FIRST CAME TO THIS LAND HE ROW-CROPPED AND SOLD HAY. HE WENT INTO THE DAIRY BUSINESS RIGHT AFTER THE FIRST WORLD WAR. TODAY'S DAIRY PROGRAM IS A FAR CRY FROM THAT FIRST DAIRY HERD IN 1920. MR. WORTHINGTON STARTED WITH GRADE JERSEYS AND RETAILED RAW MILK FROM HOUSE TO HOUSE AND IN THE STORES OF JACKSON. MR. WORTHINGTON KEPT AT THIS TYPE OF DAIRYING UNTIL HE HAD TO SWITCH TO BULK DELIVERY AT THE TIME THEY WERE BUILDING THE FIRST PAVED HIGHWAY 80. HE COULDN'T GET TO JACKSON TO MAKE THE DELIVERIES. THE WORTHINGTON'S GOT BACK INTO THE DOOR TO DOOR DELIVERY TYPE OF DAIRYING IN 1930 AND CONTINUED ON THE SAME BASIS UNTIL THE BOYS WENT INTO SERVICE IN WORLD WAR II.

SLIDE FARM-3  
MILK HOUSE

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AUDIO

SLIDE FARM-21  
COWS

SLIDE FARM-4  
BULL

THEN ONCE AGAIN A SHORTAGE OF HELP CAUSED MR. WORTHINGTON TO GO BACK TO WHOLESALING HIS MILK. THE WORTHINGTON'S REALLY GOT INTO THE DAIRY BUSINESS AS THEY KNOW IT TODAY IN 1949. AND THIS MODERN MILK HOUSE IS ONLY ONE INDICATION OF THE TYPE OF PROGRAM THEY CARRY ON TODAY. WHEN THE BOYS CAME BACK FROM THE SERVICE THEY SPENT SOME TIME CLEARING LAND AND BUILDING UP IMPROVED PASTURES AND THEN IN THE FALL OF 1949 BOUGHT THEIR FIRST REGISTERED GUERNSEY HEIFER AND IN THE SPRING OF 1950 DECIDED TO CHANGE THE WHOLE OPERATION OVER TO GUERNSEYS. HOWEVER, AS THEY BUILT THEIR REGISTERED GUERNSEY HERD THEY CONTINUED TO WHOLESALE THEIR MILK. THEY SOLD JERSEYS AS THEY FRESHENED AND BOUGHT GUERNSEYS. TODAY G.R. WORTHINGTON AND HIS FAMILY OWNS 175 HEAD OF PUREBRED AND REGISTERED GUERNSEYS. WHEN THEY STARTED THE CHANGE OVER THEY OWNED 150 HEAD OF JERSEYS. TODAY THE GUERNSEY MILKING HERD NUMBER 120 HEAD WITH 96 OF THEM COMING INTO THE BARN NIGHT AND MORNING. THE REST OF THE HERD CONSISTS OF 5 HERD BULLS, PLUS ONE THEY ARE KEEPING FOR THE HINDS RANKIN ARTIFICIAL BREEDERS ASSOCIATION. THREE OF THE BULLS ARE IN SERVICE. IN ADDITION

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SLIDE <u>FARM-5</u> CALVES	<p>THE WORTHINGTON'S HAVE 50 HEAD OF TOP QUALITY REPLACEMENT HEIFERS. MOST OF THE COWS ARE BRED TO CALVE IN THE FALL DURING THE SHORT MILK PERIOD. ALL COWS ARE BRED TO CALVE ONCE A YEAR REGARDLESS OF THE SEASON. THE CALF IS LEFT WITH ITS MOTHER FOR FOUR DAYS, THEN PUT IN THESE PENS AND BUCKET FED FOR THREE MONTHS, THEN PUT ON HAY AND GRAIN UNTIL SIX MONTHS OF AGE WHEN THEY ARE TURNED TO PASTURE. THE WORTHINGTON'S PRODUCE ONLY GRASS AND HAY ON THEIR LAND. GORDON SAID THEY BUY ALL THEIR GRAIN BECAUSE IT IS CHEAPER THAN RAISING IT THEMSELVES BECAUSE OF LABOR AND EQUIPMENT COSTS THE HERD GETS A WELL BALANCED 16 PERCENT GRAIN RATION AND RIGHT NOW THIS IS BEING SUPPLEMENTED WITH BEET PULP TO TAKE THE PLACE OF SILAGE. THE WORTHINGTON'S USUALLY PUT UP ABOUT AROUND 15,000 BALES OF HAY WHICH CONSISTS OF OATS WITH THE GRAIN ON, DALLIS GRASS AND BERMUDA. ALL OATS ARE GRAZED UNTIL MARCH THEN NITRATED AND CUT FOR HAY IN LATE MAY. WATER IS A MIGHTY IMPORTANT PART OF A LARGE DAIRY PROGRAM. THREE</p>
SLIDE <u>FARM-7</u> PENS	
SLIDE <u>FARM-6</u> POND	
SLIDE <u>FARM-8</u> WELL	
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PONDS AND A DEEP WELL MEET ALL THEN NEEDS OF THE WORTHINGTON FAMILY. WITH ELECTRICITY

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AUDIO

SLIDE FARM-9  
BOILER

SLIDE FARM-10  
MILKERS

FURNISHED BY THE MISSISSIPPI POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY THE WORTHINGTON'S OPERATE MANY HEAVY THREE PHASE MOTORS AND MAINTAIN WATER UNDER HIGH PRESSURE FOR BARN AND MILKHOUSE NEEDS. PLENTY OF HOT WATER IS NEEDED AT ALL TIMES IN THE DAIRY BUSINESS. A GREAT SHARE OF THE SANITATION PROGRAM IS DEPENDENT UPON IT. THIS LARGE BOILER MAINTAINS SCALDING HOT WATER CONSTANTLY. KEEPING DAIRY EQUIPMENT CLEAN IS ONE OF THE BIG JOBS IN DAIRYING. IT IS AN ESPECIALLY BIG JOB ON THE WORTHINGTON FARM AS YOU WILL SEE AS WE GO ALONG. BY USE OF PLENTY OF HOT WATER AND PROPER DISINFECTANT THE WORTHINGTON'S ARE ABLE TO CLEAN THEIR MILK PIPE LINE FROM INDIVIDUAL MILKER TO HOLDING TANK BY SUCKING WATER THROUGH MANIFOLD THROUGH MILKING MACHINE AND RE-CIRCULATING IT THROUGH THE GLASS PIPE LINE. THIS IS DONE WITH WATER AT A TEMPERATURE OF 150 DEGREES. THEN ONCE A WEEK EVERYTHING IS COMPLETELY TORN DOWN FOR PIECE BY PIECE CLEANING. TESTS PROVE THAT BY THIS METHOD THEY ARE ABLE TO MAINTAIN A LOW BACTERIA COUNT IN FACT THE WORTHINGTON HAVE THE LOW COUNT OF 1,000. ANYONE WHO KNOWS ANYTHING ABOUT DAIRY BACTERIA COUNT KNOWS THIS



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SLIDE FARM-22  
COWS

IS MIGHTY GOOD. A TEN THOUSAND COUNT IS CONSIDERED LOW ENOUGH TO PRODUCE CERTIFIED MILK SANITATION AT THE WORTHINGTON FARM STARTS RIGHT IN THE FIELD. EVERY POSSIBLE SOURCE OF CONTAMINATION IS ELIMINATED. ONCE THE COWS COME INTO THE BARN THE PROCEDURE WOULD AMAZE YOU. SIXTEEN COWS ARE BROUGHT IN AT A TIME. EVERY COW IS THOROUGHLY WASHED DOWN WITH WARM WATER AND NOTHING ELSE IS DONE UNTIL EVERY COW IS SPOTLESSLY CLEAN. FOLLOWING THIS ONE OF THE HANDS INDIVIDUALLY WASHES EACH COW'S UDDER WITH A STERILE CLOTH. A DIFFERENT CLOTH IS USED FOR EACH COW. NEEDLESS TO SAY EVERY PERSON WHO WORKS IN THE DAIRY BARN IS SPOTLESSLY CLEAN. I JUST HAPPENED TO NOTICE GLEN CLEANING HIS BOOTS WHEN HE STEPPED INTO THE BARN AND IT IS INDICATIVE OF THE TYPE OF CARE THAT IS TAKEN ALL THE WAY THROUGH THIS FINE DAIRY OPERATION. ONCE THE COWS ARE CLEANED AND FED THE MILKERS ARE ATTACHED. NOW LET ME TAKE YOU WITH A TYPICAL QUART OF MILK FROM COW TO YOUR TABLE. FROM THE DAIRY BARN THE MILK GOES THROUGH GLASS PIPE TO THE ADJOINING MILK PROCESSING PLANT WHERE A CLARIFIER WHICH

SLIDE FARM-24  
WASHING COW

SLIDE FARM-23  
MAN WASHING

SLIDE FARM-19  
EQUIPMENT

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SLIDE FARM-18  
HOLDING TANK

SLIDE FARM-16  
PASTUERIZER

SLIDE FARM-11  
HOMOGENIZER

SLIDE FARM-12  
COOLER

SLIDE FARM-17  
CARTON MACHINE

REMOVES ALL MILK SUBSTANCE ABOVE A GIVEN WEIGHT TAKES OVER. IF YOU'VE SEEN THE SUBSTANCE THAT COLLECTS ON THE DISKS OF A MILK SEPERATOR, THAT IS WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT....THAT IS WHAT IS REMOVED. FROM THE CIA RIFIER THE MILK GOES IN STAINLESS STEEL PIPE TO THE HOLDING TANK WHERE IT IS COOLED TO 40 DEGREES AND HELD IN BULK UNTIL READY FOR PROCESSING. THEMILK IS PROCESSED FIVE TIMES A WEEK. WHEN PROCESSING BEGINS THE MILK IS PUMPED FROM THE HOLDING TANK THROUGH STAINLESS STEEL PIPE TO THE PASTUERIZER WHERE IT IS PASTUERIZED FOR YOUR PROTECTION. NOT A QUANT OF UNPASTUERIZED MILK LEAVES THE WORTHINGTON DAIRY PLANT. FROM THE PASTUERIZER STAINLESS STEEL PIPE CARRIES THE MILK THROUGH THE HOMOGENIZER WHERE ANY POSSIBLE BACTERIA IS KILLED AND THE MILK AND CREAM ARE THOROUGHLY MIXED FOR TOP QUALITY THROUGHOUT EVERY QUART. FROM THE HOMOGENIZER STAINLESS STEEL PIPES CARRY THE MILK THROUGH THE COOLER WHERE THE MILK IS COOLED TO 34 DEGREES. ICE WATER FORCED THROUGH THE COOLER DOES THE JOB. THE MILK GOES FROM THE COOLER THROUGH MORE STAINLESS STEEL PIPE TO THE CARTON MACHINE WHERE IT IS AUTOMATICALLY PUT IN CARTON



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<p>SLIDE <u>FARM-20</u> CARTONS</p>	
<p>SLIDE <u>FARM-13</u> COOLER</p>	<p>UNTOUCHED BY THE AIR OR HUMAN HANDS. THUS YOU ARE ASSURED THE BEST POSSIBLE MILK THAT MONEY CAN BUY. ONCE THE MILK IS IN THE CARTON, SEALED TIGHT, IT IS FINALLY TOUCHED BY HUMAN</p>
<p>SLIDE <u>FARM-14</u> CASE MILK</p>	<p>HANDS AS THE CARTON IS PLACED IN CARRYING CASES IN PUT IN THE COOLER WHERE IT IS HEID AT 34 DEGREES UNTIL DELIVERY TO JACKSON. NOTICE</p>
<p>SLIDE <u>FARM-15</u> TRUCK</p>	<p>ONCE CASE SETTING ON ROLLERS. NOW, LET US LOOK JUST OUTSIDE THAT WALL. THIS IS THE</p>
	<p>THE LOADING POINT FOR MORE THAN 700 QUARTS A DAY OF TOP QUALITY PASTUERIZED, HOMOGENIZED, GOLDEN GUERNSEY MILK. FROM THIS POINT THE MILK CASES ARE LOADED ON TWO WORTHINGTON REFRIGERATED DELIVERY TRUCKS THAT TAKE THIS WORTHINGTON GOLDEN GUERNSEY MILK TO GROCERY STORES IN PEARL CITY AND BRANDON AND TO EVERY JITNEY JUNGLE STORE IN THE CITY OF JACKSON. MILK IS DELIVERED FRESH EVERY DAY AND THERE IS NEVER A TIME IT ISN'T PROPERLY COOLED. FROM THE REFRIGERATED TRUCKS THESE CARTONS GO INTO THE COOLERS OF YOUR JITNEY JUNGLE STORES. WHERE YOU BUY IT, CLEAN, WHOLESOME, THE FINEST MILK THAT MONEY CAN BUY....GOLDEN GUERNSEY MILK, FROM THE WORTHINGTON DAIRY.</p>

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CAMERA PAN THE WORTHINGTON FAMILY	NOW, THAT'S THE WORTHINGTON DAIRY STORY AND I'M NOT AT ALL SURE IT IS ALL OF IT....BUT WHA! A STORY IT IS. THE STORY OF A FAMILY THAT HAS BUILT AN ENTERPRISE BY THE SWEAT OF THEIR BROW...AN ENTERPRISE WORTHY OF THEIR EFFORTS. LITTLE DID G.R. WORTHINGTON EVER DREAM THE DAY WOULD COME WHEN THE MAIN PROBLEM WOULD BE GETTI ENOUGH PRODUCTION TO MEET DEMAND, BUT THAT'S TI SITUATION TODAY. IN ADDITION I SHOULD SAY THAT GLEN HANDLES THE CALF PROGRAM AND THE MARKETING OF THEMILK AND MR. WORTHINGTON AND GORDON TAKE CARE OF THE FEED AND PRODUCTION PROGRAM. GLEN IS PRESIDENT OF THE RANKIN COUNTY FARM BUREAU. GORDON IS A MEMBER OF THE BRANDON LIONS CLUB A AND PRESIDENT OF THE MISSISSIPPI DAIRY COUNCIL. THE WORTHINGTON'S ARE MEMBERS OF THE FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH IN JACKSON. BUT, ENOUGH OF MY TALKE, I WANT YOU TO MEET THIS OUTSTANDING RANKIN COUNTY FARM FAMILY....A FAMILY WE ARE PROUD TO SALUTE AS THE "RFD TELEVISIT" FARM FAMILY OF THE WEEK.